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SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2005, concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, and as the necessary Submission therefor, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.